

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2251

January 14, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a person who is proven by genetic testing not to be the biological father of a minor child to recover all payments of child support, as well as court costs and attorney's fees, from the actual biological father of the child who has a legally imposed duty of support for the child. Prohibits a parent or custodian of a minor child from recovering child support from both a biological father and legal father of the child for the same time period.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- A small increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-2-309(b), the State of Tennessee is not liable to any person, nor can it be ordered to refund to any person, any moneys received that are subsequently set aside by the court due to a finding of non-paternity of the person previously adjudicated as the child's father.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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